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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Oscar Lee AVANT et al.) Group Art Unit: 3653
Application No.: 09/652,709) Examiner: Daniel K. SCHLAK
Filed: August 31, 2000)
For: APPARATUS AND METHODS)
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2004, the period for response being extended for two months by the concurrent filing of a Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the requisite fee, please reexamine and reconsider the application in view of the amendments and appended remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.